



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kil-ho SHIN et al.

Group Art Unit: 2131

Application No.: 09/656,315

Examiner:

C. LAFORGIA

Filed: September 6, 2000

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For:

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.105, and in response to the Requirement for Information mailed March 3, 2006, Applicants provide the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered in accordance with MPEP §704.14(b), and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The March 3 Requirement for Information, requests English translations and published copies of Japanese Patent Applications Nos. 08-62076, filed February 23, 1996 and 09-000418. filed January 9, 1997. These applications were published together as Japanese Published Patent Application No. JP A 10-247905 (hereinafter "JP 905") on September 14, 1998.

Accordingly, Applicants provide both 1) a copy of JP 905 and 2) an English translation of JP 905.

Due to its publication date, JP 905 qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). With respect to any portions of JP 905 that "may raise" §102 issues, Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements under 37 C.F.R. §1.105 may not request "opinions that may be held or would be required to be formulated by the applicant" (see MPEP §704.11). However, Applicants respectfully submit that JP 905 does not anticipate the pending claims.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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